





## PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of CHELAN COUNTY

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February 16, 2017

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMISSION 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Re: Lake Chelan Hydroelectric Project No. 637 Request for time extension to file the 2016 Annual Flow and Water Temperature Report pursuant to Article 405, Article 408 and Appendix D of the License

Dear Secretary Bose:

The Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington (Chelan PUD) hereby requests an extension of time until June 1, 2017, to file the 2016 Annual Flow and Water Temperature Report.

The Annual Flow and Water Temperature Report is required by Ordering Paragraph (B) of the "Order Modifying and Approving the Operations Compliance and Monitoring Plan (Plan), Article 405," issued on November 30, 2007.

In an April 30, 2013, letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), Chelan PUD filed the Lake Chelan Project 2012 Annual Flow and Water Temperature Report, and requested to change the annual reporting date to April 30 of each year. The Commission approved in its "Order Revising Annual Flow and Water Temperature Reporting Date," issued September 10, 2013, to change the reporting date to April 30 each year.<sup>2</sup>

Chelan PUD has not been able to collect all necessary temperature data from the Chelan River due to excessive snow and ice build-up near the Chelan River, making access to equipment extremely hazardous. In years with mild winters, access to this equipment is usually possible by the first week in March, but this year that will not be the case. The delay in data collection will result in our inability to compile the report, provide the required 30-day stakeholder review period, and still meet the April 30 report deadline. Thus, Chelan PUD will be unable to file the final report to the Commission by the due date of April 30, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 121 FERC ¶ 62, 152 (2007) <sup>2</sup> 144 FERC ¶ 62,221 (2013)

For the foregoing reason, Chelan PUD requests, respectfully, that the Commission grant an extension of the deadline to file the 2016 Annual Flow and Water Temperature Report to June 1, 2017. Chelan PUD apologizes for the delay due to the harsh conditions this year, but since the equipment has been accessible early enough in most past years to meet the April 30 filing date for this report, Chelan PUD is not requesting that the due date be adjusted for future years.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Steve Hays at (509) 661-4181 if you have any questions or comments regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

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